

#### **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

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POLICY NO.: COR.01.14

SUPERSEDES (Policy No. & Date): COR.01.14 & 01/20/93

# CORRECTIONS ADMINISTRATION POLICY AND PROCEDURES

SUBJECT:
CORRECTIONS MISSION AND GOAL

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## 1.0 PURPOSE

To establish the mission of the Corrections Division and to define the basic goals through which Corrections proposes to fulfill that mission.

#### 2.0 REFERENCES

- .1 American Correctional Association (ACA), Performance-Based Standards for Adult Local Detention Facilities, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, June 2004, 4-ALDF-1A-02.
- .2 ACA, Standards for Adult Correctional Institutions, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, January 2003, 4-4002.

### 3.0 MISSION STATEMENT

To provide public protection by assigning persons detained by and committed to the custody of the Department to secure, safe and humane environments in compliance with judicial and statutory requirements.

#### 4.0 GOAL STATEMENTS

- .1 To operate secure facilities with varying degrees of control and custody, to protect the community and to assist in the redirection of detained and committed persons. This will be achieved by assigning them to facilities based on their behavior and attitudes and consistent with the State's commitment and responsibility to provide a sequential phasing release programming.
- .2 To provide a safe and rewarding working environment for all employees.
- .3 To sustain the health and well being of all detained and committed persons by operating lawful, safe and secured facilities that meet all environmental, health and safety codes.
- .4 To provide a range of opportunities for detained and committed persons to address issues related to their convicted offenses, social, educational, vocational, substance abuse and therapeutic needs. To promote personal growth and maturity so that they may prepare themselves to return to the community as self-supporting, law-abiding and productive citizens.

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- .5 To operate humane facilities with employees who are held accountable for upholding the human and civil rights of committed and detained persons.
- .6 To divert and supervise those offenders of lesser risk to alternative programs of incarceration.
- .7 To operate an objective and uniform inmate classification system that will assign offenders to the least restrictive custody classification at the appropriate institutional security level.
- .8 To operate sequential community release programs for qualified inmates who are returning to the community after a period of secure incarceration.

## 5.0 SCOPE

This policy applies to all Divisions and Staff Offices under the administration of the Deputy Director of Corrections.

APPROVAL RECOMMENDED:

Deputy Director of Corrections

Date

APPROVED:

Director

Date